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## Local 890 Brings Home the Bacon

PAY CHECK		WESTERN FROZEN FOODS CO., INC.	
No. 14717		EMP. NO.	
PAY TO THE ORDER OF		DOLLARS	
Ruby Aerner		419.59 4.20 4.20 74.62 339.57	
WESTERN FROZEN FOODS CO., INC.		PAYROLL ACCOUNT	

Above is factual evidence of what a strong, alert union like Warehousemen 890 can do to protect the interests of its membership. Says Pete Andrade, secretary:

"Many of our members remember the fight we have been having with the Western Frozen Foods Company and the Chemical Workers Union because they attempted to foster a company union which some of our

people objected to and which resulted in several of them being discharged for their legitimate union activities.

"Among them were Ruby Kerner and Julia Hart. As a result of charges preferred against the company, the NLRB had the company reinstate Ruby Kerner on her job with full seniority and she was paid for all time lost. Julia Hart found a better job, so did not

return, but was also compensated for days she didn't work. Elsewhere in Local 890's weekly column you will find copies of letters showing amounts paid these people.

"The reason for this statement appearing here is to show our members that our union will continue to prosecute with everything in its power any unfair act, such as in this case, until justice is done."

## Feci Named Business Agt. For Butchers

Fred Feci this week assumed his new duties as assistant business representative of Butchers Union 506, taking over the post of the late Lester E. Nagle.

Feci, who has been president of San Jose union for some time, was named to the representative post after Jack Brown, who had been recommended by the District Council of Butchers Union 506, declined the appointment.

Currently ill at his home, Secretary Earl A. Moorhead of Local 506 could not be reached for an explanation of the change in officials. Feci's duties will include handling of matters pertaining to retail meat markets in the San Jose area and other general business agent details.

Recently E. L. Courtright of Salinas was named assistant business representative in a newly created post to serve the Salinas-Monterey-Watsonville area for Local 506.

At last week's district council meeting, business was chiefly routine in nature with a long discussion of CIO "raiding" on tannery workers in San Mateo County as highlight.

Edwin Michelsen, business agent of San Mateo County Butchers 516, reported that the CIO is "raiding" the S. H. Frank Tannery and is seeking a National Labor Relations Board election to determine jurisdiction. Some members are bolting the AFL ranks to join the new CIO offering, it was reported.

Discussion of the proposed five-day week (Monday closing) for the area from San Jose city north through the bay area was also held. Contracts serving this area are now open for revision on hours.

Attendance at the meeting included Fred Feci, chairman; Earl Moorhead, secretary of Local 506; Jack Brown, recording secretary pro tem; Ralph Burton; Kaspar Bauer, secretary of Santa Cruz Local 266; Edwin Michelsen of San Mateo Local 5516; W. Corbett and D. Santa of Hollister; E. L. Courtright, Salinas business agent; C. McKinley, E. Hellam and B. Updike, of Monterey, and A. Oliver, F. Dembro and H. Bachman of Palo Alto.

## Just Reminiscing

Three GIs were discussing architecture. "From the top of the Empire State Building—and on a clear day—you can see 200 miles," said the native New Yorker.

"Well, I was in Paris last summer," the second soldier reminisced. "From the Eiffel Tower you can see every point in Paris. What a sight that is!"

"That's nothing to brag about," the third soldier said. "I've just come back from Berlin. Why, if you want to look over the whole city, all you have to do is stand up on a chair."

## 'NEWS' FOR 'PAT'

LOS ANGELES.—Endorsement of his candidacy for the Democratic nomination for U.S. Senator by the Daily News here, with 350,000 daily circulation, is considered by experts a major "windfall" for Ellis E. Patterson. Patterson's chief opponent for the nomination is Will Rogers Jr.

## Backs Cannery Hike



CONG. GEORGE OUTLAND

## Outland Urges Minimum Hike, Overtime for Cannery Labor

Congressman George E. Outland, whose career in Washington has been distinguished by his championship of the cause of labor and the common people, last week proposed that the minimum wage be extended to cannery workers and fish packers and that overtime guarantees also be provided them.

In a speech before the House, Outland urged that the minimum be jumped from 40c to 65c to take in agricultural and fish processing workers who are now exempted from the Fair Labor Practices Act (the former if they are in the "area of production"). Outland argued that there were differing concepts of "area of production," with some employers obeying the act and others not obeying it. Said Outland:

"The fact that food products must be processed rapidly to avoid spoilage does not justify payment of substandard wages, nor does it justify unduly long hours of work without adequate payment for overtime."

## Lewis' Position Backed by Head Of Upholsterers

Chicago, Illinois.

"The issue in the coal strike is not the manners of John L. Lewis or his collective bargaining policy, but the granting of health and welfare rights to the miners who need and deserve them," Pres. S. B. Hoffman of Upholsterers Intl. Union (AFL) told the 24th biennial convention of the union here.

Joseph M. Jacobs, union attorney, also stressed the justice of the mine strike in his talk to the convention. He asked whether the privilege of going to a movie was worth the lives of six American coal miners and said that was the basic issue in the current strike.

"If the American public realized that six miners die every day because of hazardous working conditions in the mines, they wouldn't mind not being able to go to the movies," the attorney told delegates, referring to partial shutdown of amusement places because of the fuel shortage.

## Costs Go Up, Index Reveals

(Release from State Fed. of Labor)

San Francisco, Calif.

The continued rise in the cost of living has been apparent to every wage earner who must depend upon his weekly pay envelope to acquire the necessities of life. The latest figures issued by the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics confirm, to a small degree, what is common knowledge to the workingman.

According to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the Cost of Living Index—or the Consumers' Price Index, as it is now known—rose from 132.5 in February to 133.1 in March for Los Angeles. In San Francisco, for the same period the index rose from 133.4 to 133.6.

For Los Angeles, the index is now 3 percent higher than it was last year at the same time, and 30 percent higher than in January, 1941. For San Francisco the index is 1.4 percent higher than a year ago, and 31.2 percent higher than in January, 1941.

## \$1.04 Rate For Cherry Picking Set

One dollar an hour or four cents a pound are the maximum rates allowed for picking cherries during the coming season in Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, San Benito, Alameda, Monterey, Napa and Sonoma Counties, and the portions of Solano and Contra Costa Counties west of the Mt. Diablo meridian, cherry growers, workers and picking contractors were reminded today by John E. Cooter, Executive Officer of the California USDA Wage Board. If a container rate is set, it must be computed on an equivalent basis.

Any lower rates agreed upon between an employer and his workers may be paid but the maximum rates which are established by a U. S. Department of Agriculture specific ceiling order can not be exceeded legally without permission of the Wage Board. In cases where difficult picking conditions in a particular orchard create an unusual hardship for the operator and workers, application may be made to the Wage Board for an individual adjustment that will raise rates to a point where they will equalize earnings with the general run of pickers' incomes in the community, Cooter pointed out.

## Lumber Yards Struck By Handlers' Union

Kansas City, Missouri.

Kansas City's lumber yards have been tied up by a strike of 350 lumber handlers who walked out in a dispute over wage increases in a new agreement. Efforts by city officials to end the strike met with failure.

The workers, represented by the Intl. Bro. of Teamsters, are asking for increases to compensate for a cut in hours from 48 to 40.

City officials are concerned because the shortage of lumber is holding up home building projects. Heaven . . .

## Hundred Million Dollars Asked of U.S. Government To Fight Cancer

Washington, D.C.

An appeal to give the President money "for an attack on the cancer problem similar to the Manhattan project which produced the atomic bomb" was sounded in hearings of the Pepper-Neely cancer research bill.

A group of witnesses supporting the bill pointed out that:

1. The 175,000 cancer deaths yearly in the U.S. exceed those from any other single source;
2. The bill can provide continuous effort by the best research men on discovery of the cure of cancer;
3. Almost no progress has been made since 1937 in cancer research;
4. Universities and endowed foundations have neither the funds nor the equipment to tackle cancer research adequately.

The bill appropriates \$100,000,000 and empowers the President "to mobilize at some convenient place in the United States an adequate number of the world's outstanding experts, and coordinate and utilize their services in a supreme endeavor to discover means of curing and preventing cancer; and to take any additional action that he may consider necessary or proper to achieve the desired result."

## Negroes to Get Special Help in Housing Program

Washington, D.C.

The special housing problems of Negroes and other minorities are receiving "special attention" in the 2,700,000 home program getting under way, Housing Expediter Wilson Wyatt said.

The effort to provide housing for minority groups under the emergency Patman Bill program, said Wyatt, "will depend largely upon the work and diligence of local housing committees since the problem is one which must be faced and solved in the communities."

"The problem of adequate housing for Negro veterans cannot be solved by the Veterans Emergency Housing Program alone. A long-range program such as envisioned by the Wagner-Elender-Taft Bill is needed to encourage private enterprise to build housing for the lowest income groups which cannot be served profitably by private enterprise and to assist cities in clearing slum and blighted areas and assembling land for low cost housing," Wyatt said.

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- (2) Economic justice to all on a world-wide scale.
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- (4) Empires must be transmuted into commonwealths in true democracy.
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## HITLER, THE AMERICAN!

Wichita, Kansas.

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## Marine Crafts To Fuse

(Release from State Fed. of Labor)

San Francisco, Calif.

At a meeting of representatives of the various marine trades held recently at the Hotel Whitcomb in San Francisco, it was decided to request the American Federation of Labor to establish a Marine Trades Department within the AFL, as provided for in a resolution adopted by the AFL at its convention in Seattle, Washington, in 1941.

Attending this meeting were representatives of the National Organization of Masters, Mates and Pilots, the Sailors' Union of the Pacific, the Seafarers' International Union of North America, the Merchant Marine Staff Officers, the Inland Local No. 40 of the Masters, Mates and Pilots, the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, and the International Longshoremen's Association.

## Veteran Housing Program Mapped Out at Meeting

Washington, D.C.

Housing Expediter Wilson Wyatt met with representatives of the major veterans organizations recently in the first session of the National Housing Authority's veterans advisory council, formed at Wyatt's request.

- The council proposed:
1. Stimulation of building trades apprenticeship programs;
  2. "Genuine" veteran representation on local mayors' emergency housing committees;
  3. Special exemption from the \$10,000 home ceiling for veterans with large families needing extra-bedroom homes;
  4. Authority to move and rehabilitate their homes be granted to families forced to vacate land taken under state eminent domain writs.
- Represented at the council meeting were the American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Veterans' Committee, and American Veterans of World War II.

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## Govt. Ownership Of Rails Favored By Trainmen Head

Cleveland, Ohio.

Pres. A. F. Whitney of the Bro. of Railroad Trainmen (unaffiliated) called for immediate government seizure, ownership and operation of the nation's railroads to avert a possible strike.

The strike date was scheduled by the two brotherhoods after they rejected a fact-finding board's recommendation of a 16c hourly increase, amounting to 13% to 18%. The unions are asking wage increases averaging 25% with a minimum boost of \$2.50 a day and 45 changes in work rules.

"Due to the obstinacy of the railroads and the fact that they are unwilling to make a reasonable settlement with their employees," Whitney said, "I suggest that Congress enact legislation to effect the immediate seizure of the lines, impose all funds and make suitable adjustments of grievances with employees."

"Government ownership and operation is not the aim of the trainmen but appears to be the only way by which over-capitalization may be corrected and railroad finances placed on a sound basis. It will also eliminate the tremendous commissions paid bankers and unwarranted fees paid lawyers, trustees and receivers."

Whitney said the government "could pay the railroads on the basis of the average price of stocks and bonds during the past five years, issue 3% bonds to liquidate the debt and allow holders of railroad bonds the actual amount they paid for them." Pres. Alvanley Johnston of the BLE had no comment on Whitney's statement.

## WILL SPEED DISPOSAL OF WAR GOODS TO VETERAN

Washington, D.C.

Atty. Gen. Tom C. Clark has announced plans for streamlining disposal of surplus government property to veterans. The statement came after a two-day conference with veterans organizations.

- Among procedures announced are:
1. The right of any veteran to get on the mailing list of his regional War Assets Administration office and receive sale notices;
  2. Full publicity to be given to property disposal sales;
  3. Enlargement of the WAA veterans policy committee, with monthly meetings;
  4. Furnishing of complete information by regional WAA offices to veterans organizations.

The conference was called after several Michigan veterans brought suit over veterans priorities procedures in Detroit.

## RED CROSS FIRES 11 FOR UNION ACTIVITY

St. Louis, Missouri.

The American Red Cross has dismissed 11 staff members of its St. Louis chapter for union activities, arousing a roar of protest that may lead to government intervention in the national agency's labor policy.

Anti-labor personnel practices of the Red Cross first came out in the open here last winter when Mrs. LaVerne Oehler, a home service supervisor and vice-president of a local union, was forced out of the agency.

Subsequently Mrs. Marguerite Nordman, the director of her department, resigned revealing she had been instructed to get Mrs. Oehler out of the Red Cross because of her union activity. When Mrs. Nordman handed in her resignation, she was asked to keep the matter quiet and was offered unprecedented severance pay of \$1000, which she refused to accept.

## Vets Hang Enemies of Price Control; Those Enemies Looked Real

Los Angeles, Calif.

Dummies dangling at the end of ropes on prominent street corners shocked citizens momentarily. This placard was on each:

"This congressman committed political suicide. He voted against price control. See AVC."

The stunt was part of the American Veterans Committee observance of Save OPA Day.

Some of the dummies looked real intelligent.

## Death Traps in Housing Scored

By FRANK C. MacDONALD  
President, State Building and Construction  
Trades Council of California

Much has been said and written about low-cost housing.

This propaganda has been inspired principally by selfish interests bent upon abrogating fire, health and safety laws.

Grossly untrue propaganda concerning cheap factory mass production houses has been given nation-wide publicity. The motive is to make possible the erection of dwellings that do not conform to fire, safety and health laws. The inducement is cheapness.

The fact is that cheap dwellings are the most costly. They lack stability, safety and permanency. Cheap dwellings generally are a menace to health and safety.

Out of the experience of centuries, civilized society the world over has developed fire, health and safety laws governing the construction of dwellings so that health and property will be protected.

## GREED OF PROFITEERS

Inspired by greed, there are those who for profit would disregard protection of human lives and property because of a temporary housing shortage. These would-be exploiters who would jeopardize human life, clamor for abrogation of the laws that protect life and property.

Notwithstanding the fact that American cities and towns have invested hundreds of millions of dollars in pipe lines, water mains, and other freighting equipment; notwithstanding the fact that annually every city in America spends millions of dollars for maintenance of equipment and of splendid freighting forces, the fact remains that in 1944 fire losses in the United States of America are estimated to have totaled \$437,273,000.

## FIRE BIG DESTROYER

Despite the use of the most scientific devices and methods of fighting fires and the employment of tens of thousands of fire fighters, fires annually take about 10,000 human lives in the United States.

The United States government appointed a committee of outstanding experts to make a study of the housing conditions in the United States, and methods of improving them. After exhaustive investigations and study, this committee made a report which included "Recommended Minimum Requirements for Small Dwelling Construction." This report is in effect a repudiation of the efforts of so-called cheap housing propagandists to abrogate fire, safety and health laws.

The recommendation of this committee for "minimum requirements for safety and economical construction of small dwellings," briefly stated, is in a form suitable for incorporation in local ordinances. The recommended minimum requirements for small dwelling construction is a rejection of the "common tendency to forget the positive protection to safety and health which properly framed, well-administered building codes can effect through prohibiting faulty structures."

## PROGRAM OF STATE

Realizing the danger to the people of congested, insanitary, unsafe housing, California has allocated millions of dollars for redevelopment programs to accomplish the following purposes: "Advance the health and safety of the State and its citizens; decrease the spread of disease, crime and juvenile delinquency and reduce the expenditure of public funds for crime prevention and punishment, public health and safety, fire and accident prevention."

We have just emerged from a world war in which we made great sacrifices so that human lives and property rights shall be protected. The greed campaign of those who would abrogate fire, health and safety laws to enable them to build flimsy, unsafe, insanitary dwellings at the cost of human lives and safety will fail.

## FRANCO VICTIM

NEW YORK.—AFL Labor League for Human Rights, says

Matthew Woll, has asked Secretary of State to intercede with Spanish government for release of Rafael Robledo, member of underground Spanish trade union movement now awaiting "trial" before military tribunal. Robledo was jailed by the Franco regime after he had entered Spain with funds donated by AFL members for relief of families of union members in that country.

## HE SPOKE TOO SOON

Washington, D. C.

Sen. Charles Tobey (R., N.H.) said that the hurry to remove price controls and then put them on again reminded him of the fellow who saw some of his wife's face through her warpaint, told her to remove it.

"Oh my God!" sez he when he saw her whole face, "put it back on again!"

## Healthy Waterlug



Joan Fulton has been chosen as the 1946 motion picture swim-for-health girl. Reasons given are her form, beauty and swimming ability. Is swimming important? (Federated Pictures)

## Warning Against Petition

(Release from State Fed. of Labor)

San Francisco, Calif.

Charges that the Merchants' and Manufacturers' Association has been the real inspiration of the anti-labor petition "Regulating Model of Collective Bargaining and Solicitation of Labor Union Membership," sponsored officially by the Veterans' Society of World War II, is verified by a recent circular letter issued by that organization recently to all their members, requesting that they give this petition unconditional support by getting signatures as well as backing it with money.

It is evident from the strongly worded agitation circular that the Merchants' and Manufacturers' Association is hiding behind and is trying to exploit favorable sentiment for veterans as a means of imposing this anti-labor measure upon the people of California.

The same old cry to intimidate the voters of California used in the fight for Proposition No. 1 and Proposition No. 12 is again repeated with greater fervor than before.

Union members are again requested not to sign any petition without first consulting their organization!

## Ten-Day Strike Brings Company To Arbitration

Washington, D.C.

A 10-day strike of 250 employees of the Washington-Virginia-Maryland Coach Co. ended restoring bus service to some 50,000 suburbanites when the company and the Amalgamated Assn. of Street and Electric Railway Employees (AFL) agreed to arbitrate their differences. The company, warning that a pay increase will result in higher fares, filed an application for an increase with the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Milwaukee, Wisconsin has a \$20,000,000 fund ready to start a six-year program of public works.

## IT'S LABOR 3-1

It's labor 3-1 over management when public relations jobs are added up. The opinion comes from Tide magazine's Leadership Survey. A panel queried about labor's and management's jobs in reaching the public voted 61 per cent for labor as doing the better job, and 21 per cent for business, with the rest voting for neither.



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## The Labor Editor Speaks

### ELECTRICITY AND PROPAGANDA

Almost every big newspaper or national magazine that you pick up tells us that public ownership is (1) inefficient (2) socialist regimentation (3) develops a tiling bureaucracy (4) destroys "private enterprise."

It is now time to ask ourselves this question: "If public ownership of public utilities is such a terrible thing, then why is it that the people are demanding more and more of it?" There was a time when a man who would get up and say that a city should distribute its own electric power would be denounced as an irresponsible social wreck. Yet today we have 3,371 incorporated cities in the United States that are served by publicly-owned electric systems. Twenty-three of these are 50,000 (or over) population. The largest, Los Angeles, has a population of a million and a half.

During the last year 110 cities have changed from private to public ownership. And during that year no cities which established public ownership are on record as having gone back to private ownership!

Here are some other interesting facts:

Cities with a lower tax rate are invariably the cities which own their electric utilities.

The average throughout the United States shows that private utilities charge 31 per cent more for 25 kilowatt-hours, 27 per cent more for 100 kilowatt-hours, and 20 per cent more for 250 kilowatt-hours than do municipally-owned electric systems.

All this helps to explain why the trend is toward public ownership of power, and why the people are no longer so easily scared by propaganda barrages.

### THE FIGHT OVER TRIESTE

Back of the international squabble over Trieste (Trst), of course, is "big power" politics. Russia wants Yugoslavia, a friendly Slav neighbor, to have a good port at the head of the Adriatic. England doesn't want it because she doesn't want "Russian influence" extended that far.

Actually Yugoslavia should have prior claim to that port and control over the surrounding area (Julian March) because she needs it for the development of her economy, and Italy doesn't need it. On this issue, it seems to us, the Italians should have little to say about it. Italy is a defeated aggressor nation. Italian armies invaded Yugoslavia, murdered tens of thousands of its inhabitants, destroyed tens of millions of dollars worth of its property and plundered it of tens of millions of "throttling bureaucracy" (4) destroys "private enterprise via a shambles of death, destruction, pillage and starvation."

And now our sob-sister "statesmen" are shedding tears at the very idea of the poor Italians losing Trieste to the "irredentist" Yugoslavs. Pardon us for feeling slightly nauseated!

### THUNDER IN THE SOUTH

With both major labor groups preparing on a big scale for a union drive in the south states, certain reactionary representatives and senators from that area are having trouble keeping their knees steady. A couple of million more trade unionists in the land of Dixie will do much to raise living standards for white and black alike, to abolish the remnants of feudalism, to kick out poll taxes and "white primaries" and to give common folks some voice in their government. The Bilbos, Eastlands Rankins and O'Daniels will, of course, scream their heads off about the "communist invasion," but their days are numbered.

### WE'RE WONDERING, THAT'S ALL

We have been an advocate of a loan to Britain to stabilize world trade and promote better relations, but is it too much to ask that, in exchange for this loan, the British be required to abandon their imperialism? This \$5 billion loan will cost the average working citizen in the United States \$100. Should all of us pay a hundred bucks so that Britain can keep on doing the things she has been doing in Greece, Italy, Indonesia and the Near East?

### HANK HAS THE LAST LAUGH

When Henry Wallace, then vice-president, now Secretary of Commerce, announced a year or more ago that there could be 60 million jobs, the NAM and many newspapers called him a crackpot. Now the *United States News*, one of the best interpreters of business trends, says that in early 1947 there will be 60 million people working. Just who are the "crackpots"?

### DIG IN, FOLKS!

More and more it becomes evident that this business of "holding the line," so far as the cost of living is concerned, is a risky thing: The people are backed up against the gale posts and the profiteers have the ball on the 1-inch line on the first down.

## GIGGLES AND GROANS.

### THE VERSATILE EQUINE

A chap who had always lived in the city and who was out of a job wandered out into the country and up to a farmhouse. He asked the farmer for a job.

"Do you know anything at all about horses?" asked the farmer. "Oh, yes," said the urbanite. "I know that a horse bites you with one end, and is good for your roses with the other."

### ONCE OFF GUARD

A recently discharged GI took his fiancée home to meet his people for the first time. She tried her best to make a good impression, so when papa asked her if she'd care for a Scotch and soda, she blushed and protested:

"Oh, I never, never drink. It's wicked!"

"Well," said papa, "try one and see if you like it."

The young lovely raised her glass, then her brow clouded.

"Hey, you dope!" she yelled, "this is bourbon!"

### REVERSIBLE SUIT

Junior was bemoaning the fact that his dry cleaning had not been delivered. "I haven't got a decent pair of pants to my name," he said.

Answered his father: "Why don't you sue them for promise of breeches, son?"

### THE USUAL CATCH

Ozzie Nelson asked a chorine, who has oodles of boy friends, why she hasn't a fur coat. "Oh," she explained, "those Broadway kerickers—they always want to pull some minky business."

### PERSONAL STUFF

At a local bank, a bookkeeper telephoned a customer to tell her that the deposit slip she had mailed in with her deposit had an error in addition. After a lengthy discussion, during which the woman did not seem to understand what the employee was trying to explain, she asked: "Well, just what is it you want me to do?" "Lady," he began, "all we want to do is change your slip." With that he heard an angry click as she hung up the receiver.

### LIQUID STIMULANT

There was the old farmer who noticed, while riding down a lonely road the other night, a young couple sitting in a parked car. The young man had a bottle in one hand, and a girl in the other. "Humph," said the farmer, "that must be one of them bottle-necks."

### CIRCUMSTANTIAL EVIDENCE

Husband: "Mary, here's a hair in this piecrust."

Wife: "It looks like one of yours, Henry. It must have come off the rolling pin."

### ATTENTION—CAB DRIVERS!

Amos pointed out to his friend, a taxi driver, that there was a purse lying on the floor of his cab.

"Yes," said the driver. "When business is bad I put it there and leave the door open. It's empty, but you've no idea how many people jump in for a short ride when they see it."

### COMPLETE EQUIPMENT

MOE: "Hey, look at this ad in the want section here."

JOE: "What is it?"

MOE: "It says: 'For Sale—two rabbits, also adding machine.'"

### "DISTANCE LENDS—"

SWEET YOUNG THING (driving through suburb)—"Would you like to see where I was vaccinated?"

HE (with enthusiasm)—"Sure."

S. Y. T. (pointing toward house which they had just passed)—"Well, right in there."

## Building Trades Dept. Rules on Wash. Charter

Washington, D.C.

The executive council of the Building Trades Dept. (AFL) will decide soon whether the 25-year-old charter of the Washington Building & Construction Trades Council shall be revoked.

At issue in the dispute is the part the council's officers took last November in deciding as members of a joint contractor-labor jurisdictional board that a welder may regulate his own welding machine. Prior to the decision in November, contractors were required to employ a member of Local 77, of the Intl. Union of Operating Engineers to turn welding power on and off.

The actual work of the member of the Operating Engineers union took only a few minutes a day, according to labor officials.

## INVITE WFTU

NEW YORK.—The UN temporary social commission decided to invite World Fed. of Trade Unions to send representative to sit in at its meetings. Vote 5 to 2, with English and Greek delegates dissenting. AFL Exec. Council and Pres. Green oppose WFTU, with 60 million affiliates, as "Russian-dominated."

## Pepper Scores Anti-Laborite Senator Bloc

Washington, D.C.

Leading a coalition of progressive senators, Claude Pepper (D., Fla.) took the offensive on the Senate floor against threatened anti-labor legislation, brought to a pitch by the coal mine dispute (now in truce).

"Strangely enough, the great defenders of private enterprise never attach any blame to management in a strike, it's always labor that gets the public whipping," Pepper told his colleagues in a spirited defense of the rights of the miners and all organized labor. Pepper was on his feet during most of the afternoon debate that centered around anti-labor amendments to HR 4908, Senate Labor Committee version of the Case Bill that had cut out its dangerous features. SHOWS HYPOCRISY

Pepper tore down pretensions of Tory senators that they were trying to legislate equality between unions and employers. "Management represents dollars," he said. "Labor leaders represent working men and women, human souls. For one of them it's a question of profits, for the other it's bread and shelter, the necessities of life."

Turning to an amendment introduced by Sen. Harry Byrd (D., Va.) which would make Pres. John L. Lewis of the United Mine Workers (AFL) liable to a \$10,000 fine and six months imprisonment for even demanding that the employers finance a miners' welfare fund, Pepper accused the wealthy polltax Senator of seeking to legislate compulsory labor.

## LITTLE LUTHER

"That Eric Johnston!" exclaimed Mr. Dilworth. "I think he's made a bunch of reds out of the board of directors of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce. I'll swear I do."

"Reds?" Little Luther asked, bewildered.

"Reds," Mr. Dilworth repeated. "Look what it says here in the New York Times: 'Bargaining Upheld by U. S. Chamber.'"

"A typographical error," Little Luther suggested. "It probably means 'Held Up.'"

"Nothing of the sort, I'm afraid, son," said his father. "They're really going to the dogs. And so's the Times, by the way. Here's what it says:

"Responsible business men gave a sigh of relief last week when the board of directors of the Chamber of Commerce of the U.S., at their convention in Atlantic City, voted down a proposal recommending repeal of the Wagner act."

"They'll be coming out in favor of autos and electric lights any year now," said Little Luther. "Just think of that—and needling to burn Galileo for saying the earth moved."

"Of course," said Mr. Dilworth, "it may be they were compelled to do this out of consideration for the looks of the thing. The Times points out it would have been embarrassing if they'd come out against the Wagner act flatly after having pledged themselves: 'We believe in the principles of collective bargaining.'"

"When they get around to believing in the practice of it will be soon enough to wake me up," said Little Luther. "That might be news."

"Oh, you imbecilious youth," said Mr. Dilworth. "You want a man to bite a dog every day?"

"No," said Little Luther. "You get me wrong, Pop. But I do love to see it when the facts of life get hold of the Chamber of Commerce by the seat of the pants and won't let go."

"Ouch!" said Mr. Dilworth.

### 'Sweet Bargaining'

CHICAGO.—600 candy salesgirls, members of AFL General Service Employees got a quick 12% wage boost from the Retail Confectioners' Assn. Instead of striking, they appointed themselves a 600-woman negotiating committee, closed all shops and showed up at the bargaining session of the union!

## THE COW'S HUSBAND



"We can go too far in trying to create full employment. . . . Too many jobs created will be a detriment to, rather than good for, our people and our government."—CONG. R. F. RICH, Pennsylvania.

## THE MARCH OF LABOR



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The publishers have undertaken a public service in getting out a series of this kind. In the series to come the same scholarly treatment will be offered for philosophy, autobiography, science, government and history. Here, indeed is fine material to be read leisurely and kept on the library shelf for reference.

### —AL SESSIONS.

HANDBOOK OF POLITICS AND VOTER'S GUIDE, by Lowell Mellett. Published by Penguin Books, Inc., 245 Fifth Avenue, New York. Price 25 cents.

Here is a handy and timely 144-page digest of how your congressman and U. S. Senator voted in the last year or two on key measures, prepared in a way so that



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Monterey County  
Election June 4, 1946

incumbent J. A. Ollie Cornett today announced his candidacy for the office of Coroner and Public Administrator in and for the County of Monterey in the forthcoming June Election. He has given his entire and undivided time to this office and runs on his record as a public servant and feels his record should be sufficient to warrant his support by the public that he has served.

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BAKERS 24—Meets 3rd Saturday at Teamsters Hall, John and Main, at 5 p.m. Pres., Judson F. Flint, 201 Archer, phone 3298. Secy., Louie Grasso, 251 Clay St., phone 8819. Bus. Agent, Hans Top, 1128 Laurie Ave., San Jose, phone Ballard 6341. Office at 72 N. Second St., San Jose, phone Ballard 6341.

BARBERS 827—Meets 3rd Monday at Teamsters Hall, John and Main, at 8 p.m. Pres., John Durnell, 533 E. Alisal. Secretary, Leon J. Smith, 207 Main St., phone 4302.

BARTENDERS 545—Meets 1st and 3rd Monday at 2 p.m. at Teamsters Hall, John and Main Sts. Pres., Eddie Rose. Secy. and Business Agent, Karl E. Hess. Office at Teamsters Hall, phone 6209.

BUTCHERS 506 (SALINAS BRANCH)—Pres., Bill Johnson. Fin. Secy., E. L. Courtwright, 329 Quilla St., Salinas, phone Salinas 6238. Exec. Secy., Earl Moorhead, Labor Temple, San Jose, phone Columbia 2132.

CARPENTERS 925—Meets first and third Tuesdays at 7:30, Carpenters Hall, North Main Street. Pres., Ray Luna. Vice-Pres., I. R. Miller. Business Agent, George Harter, 422 North Main Street, phone 5721. Financial Secy., L. H. Taft, 243 Clay Street, phone 4246. Treas., O. O. Little, Recording Secy., Amos Schofield, 422 North Main.

CARPENTERS AUXILIARY 373—Meets 2nd and 4th Wednesday at Carpenters Hall at 8 p.m. President, Mrs. Ed Francis, Vice-President, Mrs. Ray Luna; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Aubrey Cunningham; Treasurer, Mrs. Mark Pillari; Warden, Mrs. Bert Nelson; Conductress, Mrs. Earl Van Emon.

CENTRAL LABOR UNION (MONTEREY COUNTY)—Meets every Friday evening at 8 p.m. at Teamsters Hall, John and Main Sts. Pres., Peter A. Andrade, phone 4893. Secy.-Treas., George Harter, 422 N. Main, phone 5721. Council Negotiation Committee: Albert Harris, phone 4893; George Harter, phone 5721.

CULINARY ALLIANCE 467—No regular meetings scheduled, and subject only to call. Secretary Bertha A. Boles. Office at Teamsters Hall, Main and John Sts., phone 6209.

ELECTRICAL WORKERS 243—Meets the first Tuesday in each month at the Labor Temple, 117 Pajaro St., at 8:00 p.m. C. B. Phillips, Bus. Mgr. Phone 3361, 25 Harvest St. E. M. Bills, Pres. Phone 6524.

ENGINEERS (OPERATING) 165—Meets 2nd Monday at Teamsters Hall, John and Main Sts., at 8 p.m. Pres., C. R. Ingersoll, P.O. Box 2, Freedom. Secretary, Harry Vosburgh, 404 California St., Salinas, phone 4972.

LABORERS 272—Meets second Monday of each month at 8:00 p.m. at 117 Pajaro St. R. Fenchel, Pres., 17 Railroad Ave.; J. F. Mattois, Sec., 104 Lang St., Salinas; J. B. McGinley, Bus. Agent, office at 117 Pajaro St.

LATHERS UNION NO. 463—Meets in Salinas Labor Temple second and fourth Fridays, 8 p.m. President, Roy R. Bengel, Hilby St., Monterey, Phone Monterey 4820; Sec.-Treas., Dean S. Seefeldt, 526 Park St., Salinas, Phone 9223.

LAUNDRY WORKERS 252—Ceets on call in Teamsters Hall, Main and John Streets. Mildred Clayton, president and business agent. Phone 4717.

PAINTERS 1104—Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 117 Pajaro Street at 7:30 p.m. Pres., Earl Ross. Fin. Secy. and Business Agent, Donald McBeth, 1014 Le Costa Street, phone 4126. Recording Secy., Dennis Hartman, 614 Mae Ave., phone 8783.

PLASTERERS 763—Meets second and fourth Friday of the month at 8:00 p.m., at Rodeo Cafe; Fred Randon, Secretary, 31 Buena Vista, Salinas, phone 1423; Pres., Don Frick.

PLUMBERS AND STEAM FITTERS—Union Local 503—Meets Second Wednesday of each month, 8:00 p.m., Salinas Labor Temple. Pres., Al Everly; Recording Secretary, William Farr; Financial Secretary, C. Russell Walker, 312-B Pajaro St., Salinas, phone 9259. Office at 215 E. Alisal St., Phone 3463. Ex. Board meets each Tuesday night at Labor Temple.

POSTAL CARRIERS 1046—Meets every 3rd Monday alternately at homes of members at 8:30 p.m. President, L. E. Pierce, 43 Romer Lane, phone 3173. Secretary, H. C. Schreier, 636 El Camino Real, No., phone 7080.

PRESSMEN 328—Meets last Tuesday of month, alternating between Salinas and Watsonville. Pres., Milo Wingard, 339 West St., Salinas. Secretary, Milo Martella, 225 Monterey St., Salinas.

ROOFERS 50—Meets 3rd Friday, 8 p.m., Watsonville Labor Temple; Pres., E. E. Lehr, 142 11th St., Pacific Grove, Sec., Frank Walker, 327 Alexander St., Salinas, phone 9668.

SHEET METAL WORKERS 304—Meets 1st Friday alternately at Monterey at 411 1/2 Alvarado St., and at Salinas at 117 Pajaro St. (This local has jurisdiction over Monterey and Santa Cruz counties.) Pres., John Alsop, P.O. Box 317, Pacific Grove, phone 7825. Fin. and Rec. Secy., F. F. Knowles, 232 River St., Santa Cruz, phone 1276-J. Bus. Agent for Salinas area, J. B. McGinley, 117 Pajaro St., Salinas, phone 6777. Bus. Agent for Monterey, L. T. Long, 411 1/2 Alvarado St., Monterey.

STATE, COUNTY AND MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES 420—Meets on call at Labor Temple. Pres., R. H. Clinch, 348 1/2 West Street. Vice-Pres., H. E. Lyons, 15 West Street. Sec.-Treas., W. Y. Karich, 20 Natividad Road, Salinas.

SUGAR REFINERY WORKERS 20616—President, J. Collins; Secretary-treasurer, R. MacKossie; Recording secretary, H. Dies. Meet in Forrester's Hall, Salinas, 2nd and 4th Mondays at 7:30 p.m.

TEAMSTERS 287—Meets first Wednesday in Oct., Jan., April, July at Teamsters Hall, John and Main Sts., Salinas, phone 7590.

THEATRICAL STAGE EMPLOYEES AND MOTION PICTURE OPERATORS 611—Meets first Tuesday every other month 10 a.m. in Watsonville Labor Temple; Pres., Art Reina, 605 Mae Ave., Phone 9795; Bus. Agent, James Wilson, 80 Peyton St., Santa Cruz, Phone 1216. Rec. Sec., Chas. Covey, 364 Walnut Ave., Santa Cruz.

TYPOGRAPHICAL UNION NO. 543—R. C. Sprague, Salinas, Pres.; A. C. Davis, Sec.-Treas., 109 Prospect St., Watsonville. Meets last Sunday, alternating between Watsonville and Salinas.

WAREHOUSEMEN 890—Meets first Tuesday night at Teamsters Hall, John and Main streets. Office at same address, phone 4993. President, Albert Harris. Secretary, W. G. Kenyon. Financial secretary and business representative, Peter A. Andrade.

## YOUR CONGRESSMAN REPORTS

By GEORGE E. OUTLAND



If you have ever driven through coal-mine country, or passed through mining towns on the train, you perhaps felt the same shame I have felt that American citizens must live in such unhappy circumstances. You have seen the depressing company-built houses—all alike, dingy row after row, most of them lacking even elementary sanitary facilities. You have noticed the layer of black dust drifting over the grass, the houses, the washing on the line. If you have seen the black faced, coal-stained miners coming home from the pits perhaps you have thought as I have—what are sharp, hard particles of dust doing to the lungs of these men?

No doubt you have heard that the infant mortality rate among miners children is abnormally high—100 out of every 1000 live births; that few of the towns have adequate hospitals and medical care, and yet in just one recent year almost 1500 men lost their lives in mine accidents, and 69,564 were injured, many totally disabled.

Now we are faced with a national coal strike that may very well tie up the nation. Lights must be burned sparingly. Machines can not turn. Rail transportation may be snarled up. An entire economy is suffering. All of a sudden the coal dusted miner has assumed a frightening importance to the country. Or at least a figure who says he stands for the miner has assumed that importance—John L. Lewis.

Many of us, in public life, hear this man's name with contempt. The paralysis that may face the

country alarms us. But rather than meet this serious situation with rising emotion, I think there are many important facts to untangle. Unquestionably there are many things for which the miners are asking that they need and deserve. During the war, though certain adjustments were made, the overall wages of the miners were not raised appreciably. Rather, they worked much longer hours, which resulted in better take home pay. Now they are faced with a cut-back to peacetime hours which means the skilled miner nets approximately \$30 per week, for these weeks he works. But a miner's work weeks are unsteady, seasonal and unpredictable.

Basic safety devices; lessening of hazardous conditions; protection from silicosis, accidents and death must be provided. Something must be done to guarantee these elemental things; to put an end to the present system whereby mine inspections, provision of safety devices and other essential services are often provided through state legislatures which may be mine-operator dominated.

A miner's health and welfare fund, administered with some public supervision, is decidedly in order. Up to this time the rehabilitation of an injured man, or the care of families of those killed, is left to the mercy of the operators, or the already poor community. To provide these basic things for American miners will remove some of the blot and blight from that thankless, dangerous job, and from the consciences of the rest of us.

But both John L. Lewis and the mine operators who are, at this writing, in Washington are refusing to negotiate. Things are at a serious stand-still and the whole nation, including the miners will suffer. Lewis does not necessarily speak for the miners who do have a case. He will not negotiate; he has ridden practically every political bandwagon; he has not always supported legislation which would benefit miners and other citizens; he was one of the most flagrant violators of labor's wartime no-strike pledge. In many ways he has made more difficult the job of the responsible leaders who are sincerely working for the laboring man. Lewis' dictatorial ways have helped to bring down irrational wrath on all of labor. Unfortunately, too, Lewis' arrogance and selfishness have actually obscured to the rest of the public the real case of the coal miners.

We have known for some time that coal falls into the category of a "sick" industry. Inefficient, uncontrolled operation has squandered our supply. It is harder and harder to be a successful mine operator, in the black at the end of a year; harder and harder to be a miner with a decent year around job and a living wage. Basically this points out the need for responsibility of some sort on the part of the Government. When no side, management or labor, can solve conditions because they are beyond their solution, a higher place, interested in the welfare of all must sometimes be appealed to. For example, as a start, there should be a National Mine Safety Act. One has been before Congress many times, but has always been fought vigorously by powerful operator interests.

It is my earnest hope that the parties concerned can be gotten to sit down and negotiate an end to this paralyzing strike. And when that is done perhaps it will be necessary to study the whole coal industry in terms of its place in our future economy.

Meanwhile, every possible federal action should be taken to ensure against the devastating national consequences of the coal strike. Every possible step should be taken to prevent the ruthlessness of one egoist from disrupting the economy of an entire nation.

Arizona Snake Story  
An Arizona resident sends in the following story:  
"Some years ago I was camping on the bank of Crow Canyon River in Arizona, and, getting short of food, I decided to go fishing. I had a pole, a line, and a hook, but no bait.

Looking along the bank for bait I saw a snake coming out of the water with a frog. I took the frog from the snake and having been taught by my father and mother in my early youth 'not to take without giving.' I gave the snake a bit of my bait. (When I was fishing in Arizona I always carry whiskey as a precaution for snake bites.)

After standing on the bank for an hour or more intently watching one use for a bait, I felt something tapping my leg. Looking down, believe it or not, there was a snake with another frog.

W. C. Field, to Lana Turner, "Lana, darling, you look like a million dollars—and you've got the money invested in the right places."

## MINUTES

## Bldg. Trades Council

May 16, 1946

Meeting called to order by President Wm. J. Dickerson at 8:00 p.m.

Roll call showed seven local unions represented.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

## CREDENTIALS

Brother H. M. Clark, member of Brick Masons Local Union No. 16, was present to represent their craft.

It was moved and seconded that Bro. Clark be seated as a delegate to the council pending the arrival of his credentials. (Carried.)

## BILLS

All bills were ordered paid.

## CORRESPONDENCE

Received a copy of the minutes from the Monterey Peninsula Central Labor Council and a copy of a resolution indorsing Mr. C. L. Frost for the Monterey School Board.

Several delegates took exception to the Central Labor Council in publishing a resolution indorsing one person against another where both are very qualified to fill the position.

A letter from the Monterey Peninsula & County Labor News notifying the local union of an increase of three cents per month for subscription.

A letter from the State Department of Employment instructing all non-profit organizations that where there is a pay roll of \$100 per quarter, they will be subject to the act.

A copy of minutes from the B. & C.T.C. of Santa Clara County.

A letter from Assemblyman Fred Emley requesting the support of organized labor at the June election.

A report from the Central Valley Water Project.

A letter from State B. & C.T.C. of Calif. setting forth reasons for safe and sane building code to prevent fire traps and insanitary conditions.

A letter from the International Chemical Workers Union asking for support in their fight with the CIO.

Two news letters from the State Federation of Labor.

## BUSINESS MANAGERS REPORT

The G. & M. Construction Co., formerly Lee Merrill contractor, are planning to build thirty three homes in the Presidio Terrace tract, the lots are graded and work will start as soon as material arrives. The General Engineering Construction Co. are to build three homes in Monte Rigo tract. Several jobs are held up waiting for Portland cement. There are several new jobs in the Carmel Valley.

It was reported that there was a lumber mill being erected at Big Creek, several miles down the coast.

The report was accepted.

## REPORTS OF UNIONS

Ero. Burke, Painters L.U. No. 272: Well attended meeting initiated one member; donated \$550 to the Red Cross. Financial Sec. Bro. J. C. Hazelwood resigned as secretary. Brother Hazelwood has been a very faithful officer and the brothers are reluctant to lose his services. Bro. Wm. Mayer was elected financial secretary.

Bro. Decker, Hod Carriers & Laborers L.U. No. 690: Met Sunday, May 5, 1946. Initiated 14 new members. We have a report that their requested wage rate has been approved, but do not have an official communication.

Bro. W. T. Evans, Carpenters No. 1323: Good meeting, initiated 8 new members, had a report from their delegate to the national convention.

Bro. H. M. Clark, Brick Masons L.U. No. 16: Good meeting, a returned soldier made application to the local and was sent out with a local brick contractor for examination and recommendation for membership.

Bro. Anderson, Sheet Metal Workers L.U. No. 304: Took three applications for membership; they will be sent to the Apprentice School for examination. Refreshments after the meeting.

Bro. D. L. Ward, Carpenters L.U. No. 1323: Reports his trip to the Carpenters International Convention at Lakeland, Florida, he paid special interest to the building along the way, most all residences are built with brick. The lumber is scarce, but the demand for homes is just as great in the eastern part of the country as it is here on the coast.

NEW BUSINESS  
The centennial celebration to be held in Monterey July 4 to 7, 1946, was discussed. It was recommended that the local unions of the Building Trades take part by entering a float in the parade.

It was moved and seconded that the Building Trades enter a float in the centennial parade and Bro. Long be appointed chairman of the committee, that each local union appoint one member to act on the committee. Carried.

No further business to come before the council the meeting adjourned to meet again June 6, 1946, adjourned, 9:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
L. T. LONG, Sec.

## T's Won't Drop

"The NAM's reputation is sinking," says Columnist Sylvia F. Porter in the New York Post.

Did the printer doublecross you, Sylvia, or do you always drop your t's?



OH, MANN! — Peggy Mann is heard Sundays on the "RCA Victor Show" on NBC, singing popular tunes in support of Ken Delmar and the swing orchestra. Robert Merrill sings the classics.

## Bad—Sure Enough!

Housing shortage is so bad in New York that mating pigeons try to steal radio antenna off the Roosevelt Hotel to build nests with.

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BAKERS 24—Headquarters at Labor Temple, 72 N. Second St., San Jose. Hans Top, Secy and Bus. Agent, phone Ballard 6341.

BARBERS LOCAL 896—Meets 1st Thursdays at Bartenders Hall, 301 Alvarado St. President, Ralph Lester, 307 1/2 Madison St.; Secretary-Treas., A. H. Thompson, 243 Alvarado St., Ph. 5741.

BARTENDERS 483 (HOTEL, RESTAURANT EMPLOYEES & BARTENDERS ALLIANCE)—Meets at 315 Alvarado St., 1st Monday at 8:30 p.m., 3rd Monday at 2:30 p.m. Pres., E. D. McCutcheon; Sec., Pearl Robinson; Bus. Agt., Steve Smario. Office, 315 Alvarado, Monterey; phone 6734.

BRICK MASON LOCAL UNION NO. 16—Meets Building Trades Hall, second and fourth Friday, 8:00 p.m. President F. B. Hair, P. O. Box 264, Watsonville; Fin. Sec., M. Real, 154 Eldorado, Monterey, Phone 6745; Rec.-Sec., Geo. Houde, 208 Carmel Ave., Pacific Grove, Phone 3715.

BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION TRADES COUNCIL OF MONTEREY COUNTY—Meets 1st and 3rd Thursdays at 411 1/2 Alvarado St., at 8 p.m. Pres., W. J. Dickerson, 201 Monroe St., phone 8160. Secretary and Bus. Agent, L. T. Long, Pacific Grove, phone P.G. 4292. Office at 411 1/2 Alvarado St., phone 6744. Mailing address: P.O. Box 611. Office hours: 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., 2 p.m. to 4:30 p.m., 7:30 to 9 p.m.

BUTCHERS 506 (MONTEREY BRANCH)—Pres., Floyd Harris. Fin. Secy., E. L. Courtwright, 329 Quilla St., Salinas, phone Salinas 6238. Ex. Secy., Earl Moorhead, Labor Temple, San Jose, phone Columbia 2132.

CARPENTERS 1323—Meets 1st and 3rd Mondays at 8 p.m. at 411 1/2 Alvarado St. Pres., Geo. Dietl, phone 7992. Fin. Secy., D. L. Ward, 400 Gibson St., phone 6726. Bus. Rep., L. T. Long, phone 6726. Office at 411 1/2 Alvarado St., P.O. Box 611, phone 6744.

CENTRAL LABOR COUNCIL (MONTEREY PENINSULA)—Meets at Bartenders Hall, 301 Alvarado St., 1st and 3rd Tuesdays at 7 p.m. Pres., E. D. McCutcheon. Vice-Pres., J. F. Wheat. Secretary-Treasurer, Wayne Edwards, 823 Johnson Ave., phone 7622.

ELECTRICAL WORKERS NO. 1072—Meets 2nd Monday at 411 1/2 Alvarado Street, Monterey. E. C. Geary, president. Paul Day, secretary. Phone 7550.

FISH CANNERY WORKERS UNION OF PACIFIC (Monterey County, AFL)—Meets on call. Pres., William Culver; Bus. Agent, Lester Caveny; Secy.-Treas., Roy Humbracht. Office at Labor Temple, 320 Hoffman St., New Monterey.

FISHERMEN (SEINE AND LINE)—Meets monthly on full moon at 2 p.m. at Union Hall. Pres., Salvatore Davigo, 335 Monroe St., phone 7729. Secretary and Bus. Agent, John Crivello, 927 Franklin St., phone 7713. Office and hall at 233 Alvarado St., phone 3126.

LABORERS 690—Meets in New Labor Temple, Monterey, first Sunday morning of each month at 10 o'clock. President, Perry Luce, 1251 David avenue. Vice-President, Thomas E. McGuire, P. O. Box 156, Seaside. Secretary-Treasurer, Frank E. Decker, P. O. Box 1305, Monterey.

LATHERS UNION NO. 463—Meets in Salinas Labor Temple second and fourth Fridays, 8 p.m. President, Roy R. Bengel, Hilby St., Monterey. Phone Monterey 4820; Secretary-Treasurer, Dean S. Seefeldt, 1508 First St., Salinas, Phone Salinas 674.

MOTOR COACH EMPLOYEES, Division 192—President, Harry M. Fox Jr.; Secretary, Herman R. Bach.

MUSICIANS 616—Meetings, when called, held at 315 Alvarado St., Monterey, at 2:30 p.m. Pres., A. A. Hirsch, Seaside, Calif., phone Monterey 4257. Secretary, Harry H. Judson, Box 422, Pacific Grove, phone P.G. 6166. Office at 500 Asilomar Blvd., Pacific Grove, phone P.G. 6166.

PAINTERS 272—Meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays at 315 Alvarado St. at 8 p.m. Pres., Robert Deakin, 149 Monterey, Pacific Grove, phone P.G. 9285. Rec. Secy., Ed. L. Clark, 457 Wave, Monterey, phone 6312. Financial secretary, J. C. Hazelwood, 419 9th St., Pacific Grove, phone P.G. 7905.

PLASTERERS AND CEMENT FINISHERS NO. 337—Meet first and third Friday, Building Trades Hall, Monterey, 8:00 p.m. President, Earl Smith, Monterey; Recording Secretary, Financial Secretary, V. J. Willoughby, 153 Carmel Avenue, Pacific Grove.

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TEACHERS (MONTEREY COUNTY FEDERATED) 457—Meet in Monterey second Wednesday, 5:00 p.m. Fin.-Sec., Wayne Edwards, 823 Johnson Ave., Monterey. Phone 7622.

TEAMSTERS (GENERAL AND AUTO DRIVERS) 237—Meets second Wednesday at Teamsters Hall, Main and John Sts., Salinas, at 8 p.m. President, Thos. M. Brett, 341 The Alameda, San Jose, phone Ballard 6341. Secretary and Business Agent, George W. Jenott, address same. Office at Main and John Sts., Salinas, phone 7590.

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WAREHOUSE EMPLOYEES UNION, LOCAL 890—Meets first Tuesday night, Teamsters Hall, office at Teamsters Hall, John and Main Sts. Phone 4893; Pres., Albert A. Harris; Rec.-Sec., Wm. G. Kenyon; Sec.-Treas. and Bus. Rep., Peter A. Andrade.

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On Page one of this week's News will be found the story of how the union got justice for employees ousted in the recent company union tussle at Western Frozen Foods Company, also facsimile of check for back pay awarded to them in an NLRB ruling. Here are sample letters to two of these employees:

NLRB TWENTIETH REGION  
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Mrs. Ruby Kerner  
411 Watson Street  
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Re: Western Frozen Foods Co.,  
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Dear Mrs. Kerner:  
Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$336.57, as payment of back pay pursuant to the settlement in the above-entitled case.

Very truly yours,  
JOSEPH E. WATSON,  
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1095 Market Street  
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May 8, 1946

Jewell Hartly  
Route 3, Box 683  
Watsonville, California

Re: Western Frozen Foods Co.,  
Inc. Case No. 20-C-1383

Dear Mrs. Hartly:  
Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$252.45, as payment of back pay pursuant to the settlement in the above-entitled case.

Very truly yours,  
JOSEPH E. WATSON,  
Regional Director.

In a short time an election will be held at that plant to determine your proper bargaining agency so that you may again work under a legitimate agreement for decent hours, wages and conditions. Because of interference on the part of the Chemical Workers union you haven't been able to procure minimum wages of 92½ cents per hour for women like we now enjoy for similar work as well as many other conditions which are beneficial to the workers. We wish to advise all employees of the Western Frozen Foods Co. do not allow the phony Chemical Workers union to bleed you of any more initiations and dues and if they insist with the threat you will lose your job, please inform our office in Watsonville 2596, or our Salinas office 4893, or notify our shop stewardess Ruby Kerner. Our next regular meeting will be held at the I.O.O.F. Hall on Wednesday evening, June 5, 8 p.m. Small hall. Remember the date, Wednesday evening, June 5.

**WATSONVILLE MEMBERS!**  
You may pay your dues at our Watsonville office, 462½ Main St., across from the Reseter Hotel; hours 9 to 1 p.m. and 2 to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

**SALINAS MEMBERS!**  
Watch this paper for the story on the Spiegel election results next week.

Attention all members employed at the Ralier Canning Co. You will be notified to appear at a special called meeting soon in order that you may discuss the new agreement.

**GILROY MEMBERS!**  
Attention all employees of the C. B. Gentry Co. Your union will go into negotiations immediately for wages affecting certain classifications. Watch this paper for further news.

**SAN JUAN MEMBERS!**  
Your union has asked Sam Regas & Sons for proof that they are unable to meet the new wage agreement proposed by your union.

The following meetings are scheduled for the month of June: First Tuesday, Salinas, general meeting, Foresters Hall, 8 p.m. First Wednesday, I.O.O.F. Hall.



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Watsonville, 8 p.m.  
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Second Thursday, 8 p.m., Foresters Hall, initiations.  
Second Thursday, 13th, p.m., Foresters Hall, large hall. Special meeting, all produce drivers.  
Third Tuesday, all employees of Regas & Sons, Casa Maria, San Juan, 8 p.m.

**ATTENTION, ALL MEMBERS!**  
If you haven't received your revised Constitution and By-Laws, please call at either Watsonville, Gilroy or Salinas office for one. Remember to read it over carefully. Remember to pay your dues on time. A delinquent member is not entitled to any sick benefits.

The following received sick benefits for the week ending Saturday, May 18th: Seth Leach, Salinas; Emma Ingersoll, Gilroy; Ruby Kerner, Watsonville; Severino Ghezzi, Salinas.

**PARTY ON SUNDAY**  
Your union is pleased to note that Mrs. Sine Nielson and Mrs. Mary Silva will be given a party on Sunday afternoon, May 26, honoring their 20 years of service. Local 890 congratulates these women and wishes them success. The party will be held at the Spiegel Foods Company plant at 2:30 p.m. Husbands and wives of employees welcome!

Any driver who hasn't received a copy of the produce agreement may procure one by calling at the office of the union in either Watsonville or Salinas.

**IMPORTANT, ALL PRODUCE DRIVERS:**  
Please attend a special called meeting for your division at Foresters Hall (next to El Rey Theatre) Salinas, Thursday evening, June 13 at 9 p.m. for the purpose of discussing your agreement and start drafting an industry-wide agreement. Please attend.

**ICE-HOUSE MEMBERS IN WATSONVILLE:**  
If you have anyone working with you who doesn't belong to the union and refuses to join, notify your steward or phone the union office. Bud Kenyon has been ill, but is recovering rapidly and he will cover the ice industry soon.

## NAM Puts Out Whoppers on Price Control

New York City.

A check-up on statements made in full-page newspaper ads put out by the Nat. Asso. of Manufacturers—just get rid of the OPA and have all "the things you want"—reveals a series of mendacities which border on the "whopper" side. For instance: It's a lie that OPA is behind the butter shortage. Reason for both butter and milk shortage is that the industry makes bigger profits from other dairy products. The dairy trust got a 1c per qt. increase from OPA, but it wants more. The Borden Company did a half-billion dollar business last year and increased its profits 21% over 1944. That ought to give you an idea.

**THAT 'MEAT SHORTAGE'**  
It's also a lie that OPA is the cause of the meat shortage. There are plenty of cattle on the farms but, just before OPA renewal came up in Congress, the big packers stopped slaughtering. In one week last month the 15 big Chicago packers bought only 25% of the available cattle, although they normally take 60% to 70%. They are deliberately diverting supplies into the black market and then blaming the meat shortage on the OPA. Apparently what they want is simply a legalized black market!

## Auto Workers Seeking Employment Benefits

Detroit, Michigan.

Tens of thousands of auto workers have filed claims for Michigan unemployment benefits because of shutdowns caused by the refusal of softcoal operators to grant the demands of the United Mine Workers (AFL).

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## Green Denounces Substitute for Health Measure

Washington, D.C.

AFL Pres. William Green denounced a Republican opposition substitute to the national health bill as "a 1946 model 'poor law' extending the pernicious and outmoded method of relief to the field of providing medical care to the indigent."

The substitute, introduced by Sens. Robert A. Taft (R., O.), H. Alexander Smith (R., N.J.) and Joseph Ball (R., Minn.), is designed to forestall passage of the Wagner-Murray-Dingell health bill now under discussion by the Senate Labor Committee.

"The working people of America will not accept the Smith-Ball-Taft substitute for health insurance," said Green. "They will reject this proposal because they want health insurance on a self-sustaining basis—not charity and the dole."

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## Minority Parties of Michigan on Ballot

Lansing, Michigan.

The Communist, Socialist Labor, and Prohibition Parties will go on the ballot for the Michigan, 1946, elections if their petitions are found adequate. The primary is June 18 and the final election Nov. 5.

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## AFL Asks Government To Discharge Radicals

Washington, D.C.

The Government Employees Council of the AFL announced it had called upon Congress to rid federal payrolls of all persons of doubtful loyalty to the U.S. It mentioned no names of organizations or individuals, but condemned mass picketing of government agencies.

## Logical Question

"Paw?"  
"Now what?"  
"Why didn't Noah swat both flies when he had such a good chance?"

Each day the Veterans Administration in Washington receives 250,000 letters.

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